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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 6 December 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	4242nd* and 4243rd meetings	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The responsibility of the Security Council in the maintenance of international peace and security

Morning**	4244th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in East Timor

   Report of the Security Council Mission in East Timor and Indonesia (S/2000/1105)

Morning***	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian Question

Other matters

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* There will be a briefing by the Legal Counsel.

** To be held following the adjournment of the 4243rd meeting.

*** To be held following the adjournment of the 4244th meeting.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

11 a.m. 82nd plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments:

   (a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/55/652) [17 (a)]

   (b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/55/424/Add.1) [17 (b)]

   (c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors: report of the Fifth Committee (A/55/653) [17 (c)]

   (d) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee: report of the Fifth Committee (A/55/654) [17 (d)]

   (e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal: report of the Fifth Committee (A/55/655) [17 (e)]

   (f) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission: report of the Fifth Committee (A/55/656) [17 (g)]

2. Assistance in mine action: draft resolution (A/55/L.44/Rev.2 and Corr.1) [47]

3. Credentials of representatives to the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly: Second report of the Credentials Committee (A/55/537/Add.1) [3]

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

3 p.m. closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and its sub-items conducted by H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth (Luxembourg)

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.-1 p.m. 28th meeting Conference Room 1

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects [86] (A/54/670, A/54/839, A/55/138-S/2000/693, A/55/305-S/2000/809, A/55/502, A/55/507 and Add.1, A/C.4/55/6 and A/C.4/55/L.22)

SECOND COMMITTEE

11 a.m.-1 p.m. 41st meeting Conference Room 2

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council [12] (A/55/3 and A/55/419)

2. Sectoral policy questions: business and development [93 (b)]

   Action on draft decisions A/C.2/55/L.32 and L.52

3. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: integration of the economies in transition into the world economy [94 (b)]

Action on draft decision A/C.2/55/L.4/Rev.1

4. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) [94 (e)]

Action on draft decisions A/C.2/55/L.12 and L.53

5. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) [94 (e)]

Action on draft decisions A/C.2/55/L.13 and L.54

6. Environment and sustainable development: World Solar Programme 1996-2005 [95 (f)]

Action on draft decisions A/C.2/55/L.31 and L.55

7. Environment and sustainable development: protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind [95 (g)]

Action on draft decisions A/C.2/55/L.23 and L.48

8. Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) [99]

Action on draft decisions A/C.2/55/L.18 and L.51

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on agenda item 122 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment the expenses of the United Nations (A/55/11 and Corr.1))

3 p.m.*	35th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [127] (A/54/120, A/55/5/Add.12, A/55/517 and Add.1, A/55/623 and A/55/642)

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* There will be a suspension of the informal consultations from 4.15 p.m. to 5.15 p.m.

2. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [128] (A/52/784, A/55/5/Add.11, A/55/512 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/622 and A/55/643)

Introduction and general discussion

3. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors [115]

Action on draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.12

4. Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East [138]

(b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

Action on draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.11

Afternoon* - 6.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 117 (Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001: Request for a subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (A/C.5/55/15); Revised estimates under section 7 (International Court of Justice) (A/C.5/55/21 and A/55/7/Add.2); and Administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission (A/55/629))

7 p.m. - 10 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Human resources management (A/55/253 and Corr.1, A/55/270, A/55/168, A/55/427, A/55/499, A/55/399 and Corr.1, A/53/955, A/C.5/54/21, A/54/257, A/54/279 and Corr.1, A/C.5/55/L.3, A/C.5/54/L.3, A/C.5/54/2, A/54/450, A/C.5/55/CRP.1 and CRP.2); Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/55/397 and A/55/352 and Corr.1); and Management irregularities causing financial losses to the Organization (also under agenda item 116 (A/54/793 and A/55/499)))

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* Following the adjournment of the 35th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

JOINT INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS OF THE THIRD AND FIFTH COMMITTEES

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations of the Third and the Fifth Committees on agenda item 118 (Programme planning) and in particular Programme 19 (Human rights) (A/55/6 (Prog. 19), A/C.5/55/20 and Add.1 and A/C.5/55/CRP.3)

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PREPARATORY COMMISSION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

Sixth session

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on agreement on the privileges and immunities of the Court

WORKING GROUP ON CRIME OF AGGRESSION

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	Conference Room 4

WORKING GROUP ON RELATIONSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COURT AND THE UNITED NATIONS

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	Conference Room 4

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. The critical situation of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women
2. Financing of the International Tribunal for Rwanda
3. Financing of the International Tribunal for Yugoslavia

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Today, 6 December 2000, there will be meetings of interested delegations on draft proposals, as follows:

Conference Room E: A/C.2/55/L.38 (item 92 (c)), from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and A/C.2/55/L.38 (item 92 (c)), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.;

Conference Room 7: A/C.2/55/L.15 (item 95 (a)), from 10.45 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Conference Room C-209B: A/C.2/55/L.10 (item 94 (c)), from 10.15 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Conference Room S-2963D: A/C.2/55/L.36 (item 100), from 11.30 a.m. to 1.15 p.m.;

Economic and Social Council Chamber: A/C.2/55/L.28 (item 92 (b)), from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.; A/C.2/55/L.21 (item 95 (d)), A/C.2/55/L.30 (item 95 (d)) and A/C.2/55/L.29 (item 92 (a)), from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Trusteeship Council Chamber: A/C.2/55/L.21 (item 95 (d)), A/C.2/55/L.30 (item 95 (d)) and A/C.2/55/L.29 (item 92 (a)), from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.;

Conference Room 2: Consideration of all outstanding draft resolutions, from 4.30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Delegations are still requested to consult the blackboard outside of Conference Room 6 for any changes in the schedule for this consultation

Announcements

Background information on the draft provisional outcome document of the Preparatory Committee for the Special Session of the General Assembly for Follow-up to the World Summit for Children can be obtained by interested delegations from the Secretariat (room S-2977; tel.: (212) 963-5143 or 963-2356).

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The Department of Economic and Social Affairs announced the launching of the Official United Nations Web site on the 2002 review of progress achieved since UNCED at www.un.org/rio+10. This Web site will provide information about the preparations for the review at the national, regional and international levels, as well as links to United Nations System and major group partners. The information on this site will be regularly updated as the preparatory process unfolds. Inquiries about the web site can be directed to Division for Sustainable Development of DESA (tel.: (212) 963-8811, or (212) 963-8429, or by e-mail at dsd@un.org).

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The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) announced the launching of a Web site on the International Year of the Mountains, 2002 (IYM), proclaimed by the General Assembly in resolution 53/24. This Web site can be accessed from the FAO home page (www.fao.org) or directly at the following address: www.mountains2002.org

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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ARAB GROUP OF THE WHOLE
(at the ambassadorial level)

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

ARAB GROUP OF THE PREPARATORY COMMISSION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

1.15 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room A

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda item 92 (c))

1.15 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on culture and development, and environmental issues)

6 p.m.- 10 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on all outstanding Second Committee items; and briefing on financing for development)

6 p.m.- 10 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations on the draft resolution on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and the protection of the United Nations personnel under agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance), organized by the delegation of France on behalf of the European Union, will take place *today*, 6 December 2000, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations on the draft resolution under agenda item 27 (Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity), organized by the delegation of Togo, will be held *today*, 6 December 2000, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A.

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Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors to discuss the draft resolution under agenda item 14 (Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency), organized by the delegation of Nigeria, *today*, 6 December 2000, from 12.20 p.m. to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations on agenda item 30 (Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for Development of Africa in the 1990s, including measures and recommendations agreed upon at its mid-term review), organized by the delegation of Botswana, will be held *today*, 6 December 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A.

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations on agenda item 50 (Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa), organized by the delegation of Botswana, will be held *today*, 6 December 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

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Announcement

As from Friday, 1 December 2000, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

The Web site of the Russian Federation Presidency of the Security Council can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.int/russia.

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 7 December 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.*	36th meeting	Conference Room 3
Afternoon**	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
7 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* There will be a suspension of the informal consultations from 4.15 p.m. to 5.15 p.m.

** Following the adjournment of the 36th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

JOINT INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS OF THE THIRD AND FIFTH COMMITTEES

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Open-ended Informal Consultations of the Plenary on Agenda Item 182 (Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit)

The 4th meeting of the Open-ended Informal Consultations of the Plenary on Agenda Item 182 (Follow-up of the outcome of the Millennium Summit) will be held on Thursday, 7 December 2000, at 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The President of the General Assembly will introduced draft resolution A/55/L.56.

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SECURITY COUNCIL

Under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Anwarul Karim Chowdhury (Bangladesh), the Security Council Working Group on General Issues on Sanctions will meet in Conference Room 7 as follows: Friday, 8 December 2000, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Monday, 11 December, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesday, 12 December, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 13 December, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; and Friday, 15 December, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m..

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Bureau of the Commission on the Status of Women invites delegations to propose names for panellists to participate in the forty-fifth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (6 to 16 March 2001). There will be two panels focusing on the following thematic issues being taken up by the Commission: (1) Women, the girl child and HIV/AIDS; and (2) Gender and all forms of discrimination, in particular racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (Room DC2-1259), no later than Thursday, 7 December 2000.

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The first meeting of the High-Level Committee on Management (HLCM) of the Administrative Committee on Coordination (ACC) will be held on Monday and Tuesday, 11 and 12 December 2000 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

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United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

List of speakers

The fourth session of the Conference of the Parties will take place from 11 to 22 December 2000 in Bonn, Germany. The special segment on the implementation of the Convention will be held from 18 to 20 December. Statements at this segment will be open to Parties, observers, international intergovernmental organizations, multilateral agencies and institutions accredited to the Conference, United Nations programmes and specialized agencies with representation at the appropriate level. It is suggested that the average time for each statement should not exceed 5 minutes.

The list of speakers for the special segment was open until Tuesday, 5 December, and will be reopened in Bonn on Monday, 11 December (telephone and fax numbers to be announced).

A list of speakers for other statements by Parties and observers in the Plenary during the first week of the session will open in Bonn on Monday, 11 December.

The provisional agenda and organization of work for the session is contained in document ICCD/COP(4)/1 and can be retrieved from the Optical Disk System or from the Convention Web site (http://www.unccd.int).

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There will be a meeting of the Group of Interested States established in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 52/38 G (Consolidation of peace through practical disarmament measures) on Tuesday, 12 December 2000, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room D. The meeting will review the status of undergoing projects of practical disarmament and will hear new proposals in this field. The meeting is open to all interested delegations.

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Informal meeting

There will be an informal meeting for delegations interested in participating in the Energy Exhibit Committee for the ninth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development, on Thursday, 7 December 2000, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 9. The meeting, organized by the delegation of Canada, is open to all interested Member States.

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations on agenda item 50 (Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa), organized by the delegation of Botswana, will be held on Thursday, 7 December 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the German Management Academy (DMAN) are jointly organizing the second session in the annual series entitled "Public-Private Partnership for Sustainable Development". This session will focus on "Public-Private partnership for Infrastructure Development". The workshop to be conducted in English, will be held on Thursday, 7 and Friday, 8 December 2000, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603, tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Informal consultations

The Co-Chairs of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Energy and Sustainable Development will hold informal consultations on preparations for the second session of the Group of Experts on Friday, 8 December 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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Hearings

As requested by the Preparatory Committee for the High-level International Intergovernmental Event on Financing for Development, hearings with the business sector will take place on Monday and Tuesday, 11 and 12 December 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in *Conference Room 2*. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, United Nations agencies and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

For further information, please contact the Financing for Development Coordinating Secretariat (tel.: (212) 963-4451). The list of panellists and their presentations are available on the Internet (http://www.un.org/esa/ffd/NGO/1200hear/panel_list2.htm).

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is conducting a workshop on team development. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Thursday, 14 December 2000 , from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., and Friday, 15 December from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, a draft programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Thursday, 7 December. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603, tel : (212) 963-9684).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Monday, 4 December 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

81st plenary meeting

Reports of the Third Committee

The Rapporteur of the Third Committee introduced the reports of the Third Committee on agenda items 103 to 114 and 12.

Under rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided to hear a statement by the representative of the Dominican Republic in connection with the report of the Third Committee on agenda item 107.

Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family: report of the Third Committee (A/55/591) [103]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/55/591) (resolution 55/57).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 103.

Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: report of the Third Committee (A/55/592) [104]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/55/592) (resolution 55/58).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 104.

Crime prevention and criminal justice: report of the Third Committee (A/55/593) [105]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to VI recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 20 of its report (A/55/593) (resolutions 55/59, 55/60, 55/61, 55/62, 55/63, 55/64).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 105.

International drug control: report of the Third Committee (A/55/594) [106]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/55/594) (resolution 55/65).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 106.

Advancement of women: report of the Third Committee (A/55/595 and Corr.1 and 2) [107]

The President informed the General Assembly that action on draft resolution VI was postponed to a later date before the recess in December to allow time for the review of the programme budget implications by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Fifth Committee.

In accordance with the decision taken earlier at the meeting, the representative of the Dominican Republic made a statement.

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of the United States and Qatar.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on draft resolutions I to V recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 35 of its report (A/55/595 and Corr.1 and 2).

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (recorded vote) (resolution 55/66)	146	1	26
Draft resolution II (resolution 55/67)		adopted	
Draft resolution III (resolution 55/68)		adopted	
Draft resolution IV (resolution 55/69)		adopted	
Draft resolution V (resolution 55/70)		adopted	

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 36 of its report (A/55/595 and Corr.1 and 2).

The representative of Jordan made a statement in explanation of vote.

The representative of France spoke on a point of order.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 107.

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century": report of the Third Committee (A/55/596) [108]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 10 of its report (A/55/596) (resolution 55/71).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 108.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions: report of the Third Committee (A/55/597) [109]

The representative of Norway made a statement in explanation of vote.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the six draft resolutions recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 25 of its report (A/55/597).

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (resolution 55/72)		adopted	
Draft resolution II (resolution 55/73)		adopted	
Draft resolution III: Operative paragraph 20 (recorded vote)	139	0	31
Draft resolution III as a whole (resolution 55/74)		adopted	
Draft resolution IV (resolution 55/75)		adopted	
Draft resolution V (resolution 55/76)		adopted	
Draft resolution VI (resolution 55/77)		adopted	

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 26 of its report (A/55/597).

The representative of the Dominican Republic made a statement in explanation of vote.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 109.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children: report of the Third Committee (A/55/598) [110]

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 14 of its report (A/55/598) (resolutions 55/78 and 55/79).

The Assembly also adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 15 of its report (A/55/598).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 110.

Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People: report of the Third Committee (A/55/599) [111]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/55/599) (resolution 55/80).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 111.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination: report of the Third Committee (A/55/600) [112]

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to IV recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 26 of its report (A/55/600) (resolutions 55/81, 55/82, 55/83 and 55/84).

The Assembly also adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 27 of its report (A/ 55/600).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 112.

The right of peoples to self-determination: report of the Third Committee (A/55/601) [113]

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the three draft resolutions recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 17 of its report (A/55/601).

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (resolution 55/85)		Adopted	
Draft resolution II (recorded vote) (resolution 55/86)	119	19	35
Draft resolution III (recorded vote) (resolution 55/87)	170	2	5

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 113.

Human rights questions: report of the Third Committee (A/55/602) [114]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 4 of its report (A/55/602).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 114.

Implementation of human rights instruments: report of the Third Committee (A/55/602/Add.1) [114 (a)]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to III recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 16 of its report (A/55/602/Add.1) (resolutions 55/88, 55/89, 55/90).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 114.

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms: report of the Third Committee (A/55/602/Add.2) [114 (b)]

The representative of Qatar made a statement in explanation of vote.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the 21 draft resolutions recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 94 of its report (A/55/602/Add.2 and Corr.1 (in English only)).

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (resolution 55/91)		adopted	
Draft resolution II (recorded vote) (resolution 55/92)	165	0	8
Draft resolution III (resolution 55/93)		adopted	
Draft resolution IV (resolution 55/94)		adopted	
Draft resolution V (resolution 55/95)		adopted	
Draft resolution VI (recorded vote) (resolution 55/96)	157	0	16
Draft resolution VII (resolution 55/97)		adopted	
Draft resolution VIII (resolution 55/98)		adopted	
Draft resolution IX (resolution 55/99)		adopted	
Draft resolution X (recorded vote) (resolution 55/100)	106	1	67
Draft resolution XI (recorded vote) (resolution 55/101)	104	52	15
Draft resolution XII (recorded vote) (resolution 55/102)	112	46	15
Draft resolution XIII (resolution 55/103)		adopted	
Draft resolution XIV (resolution 55/104)		adopted	
Draft resolution XV (resolution 55/105)		adopted	
Draft resolution XVI (resolution 55/106)		adopted	
Draft resolution XVII (recorded vote) (resolution 55/107)	109	52	7
Draft resolution XVIII (resolution 55/108)		adopted	
Draft resolution XIX (resolution 55/109)		adopted	
Draft resolution XX (recorded vote) (resolution 55/110)	117	49	6
Draft resolution XXI (resolution 55/111)		adopted	

Statements in explanations of vote were made by the representatives of Jamaica and Chile.

Statements on points of order were made by the representatives of Cuba and Japan.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) agenda item 114.

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives: report of the Third Committee (A/55/602/Add.3) [114 (c)]

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of Yemen and Papua New Guinea.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the eight draft resolutions recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 49 of its report (A/55/602/Add.3).

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (resolution 55/112)		adopted	
Draft resolution II (resolution 55/113)		adopted	
Draft resolution III (recorded vote) (resolution 55/114)	67	54	46
Draft resolution IV (recorded vote) (resolution 55/115)	102	3	60
Draft resolution V (recorded vote) (resolution 55/116)	85	32	49
Draft resolution VI (recorded vote) (resolution 55/117)	102	2	63
Draft resolution VII (resolution 55/118)		adopted	
Draft resolution VIII (resolution 55/119)		adopted	

The representative of Bolivia made a statement in explanation of vote.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 114.

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action: report of the Third Committee (A/55/602/Add.4) [114 (d)]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Third Committee (A/55/602/Add.4).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 114.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: report of the Third Committee (A/55/602/Add.5) [114 (e)]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Third Committee (A/55/602/Add.5).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (e) of agenda item 114.

Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Third Committee (A/55/603) [12]

The General Assembly adopted draft decisions I and II recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/55/603).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of all the chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council allocated to the Third Committee.

Tuesday, 5 December 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

4241st meeting

The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to paragraph 5 of Security Council resolution 1302 (2000) (S/2000/1132)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2000/1149, submitted by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, Malaysia, the United States, Argentina, China, Canada and France, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the Russian Federation.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/2000/1149) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2000/1149) received 15 votes in favour, none against, and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1330 (2000).

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations. Vienna, 18 April 1961

Accession: Belize (30 November 2000)*

Vienna Convention on Consular Relations. Vienna, 24 April 1963

Accession: Belize (30 November 2000)*

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. London, 29 June 1990

Accession: Gabon (4 December 2000)*

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Copenhagen, 25 November 1992

Accession: Gabon (4 December 2000)*

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer adopted by the Ninth Meeting of the Parties. Montreal, 17 September 1997

Accession: Gabon (4 December 2000)*

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Beijing, 3 December 1999

Accession: Gabon (4 December 2000)*

Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel. New York, 9 December 1994

Ratification: Australia (4 December 2000)*

Additional Protocol to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol IV, entitled Protocol on Blinding Laser Weapons). Vienna, 13 October 1995

Consent to be bound: Pakistan (5 December 2000)*

Agreement concerning the Establishing of Global Technical Regulations for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be fitted and/or be used on Wheeled Vehicles. Geneva, 25 June 1998

Accession: Italy (1 December 2000)*

Basel Protocol on Liability and Compensation for Damage Resulting from Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal. Basel, 10 December 1999

Signature: Denmark (5 December 2000)

Signature: Hungary (5 December 2000)

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* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

OPENING FOR SIGNATURE

The Convention and Protocols will be open for signature to all States, and by regional economic integration organizations provided that at least one Member State of such organization has signed this Convention and these Protocols, from 12 to 15 December 2000 at the Palazzi di Giustizia in Palermo, Italy and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York until 12 December 2002, in accordance with article 36 of the Convention and articles 16 and 21, respectively, of the Protocols. In order to become a Party to the Protocols, a State or regional economic integration organization must also be a Party to the Convention, in accordance with article 37 of the Convention.

Consistent with the current practice, delegations intending to sign the Convention and Protocols are advised to submit for legal verification, where necessary, copies of full powers in advance of the signature event to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations Secretariat, Room S-3200C, New York, N.Y. 10017 (fax: (212) 963-3693). Originals of full powers should be submitted to the Conference Secretariat in Palermo, Italy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Human Rights Day 2000

As part of the commemoration of Human Rights Day 2000, a special two-part event focusing on the theme "Preparations for the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance" will take place on Thursday 7 December 2000, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., in Conference Room 1. From 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon, there will be a high-level, nine-city videoconference. Speakers will include Mary Robinson, High Commissioner for Human Rights; Techeste Ahderom, Chair, NGO Committee on Human Rights; Jyoti Singh, Executive Coordinator, World Conference against Racism; and high-level representatives of the South African and Chilean Governments. From 12 noon to 1 p.m., there will be a panel discussion, also in Conference Room 1, "The Human Rights Balance Sheet 2000". Speakers will include H.E. Sr. Gabriel J. Valdés, Permanent Representative of Chile to the United Nations; Elissavet Stamatopoulou-Robbins, Deputy to the Director, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, New York; and Malcolm Smart, Director of Programmes, Human Rights Watch (New York). Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. Human Rights Day is organized by the NGO Section of the Department of Public Information and the Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights, New York. For further information, please contact Ms. Yvonne Duncan (tel.: (212) 963-1285).

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International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

Screening of films

In observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People and owing to technical problems experienced during the first screening of the films "Behind the Walls" and "Despite the Odds" on 29 November, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People has arranged for a second screening of the films, to be held on Friday, 8 December 2000, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. at the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

Exhibit

In observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in cooperation with the Permanent Observer Mission of Palestine to the United Nations, presents a Palestinian Art Exhibit entitled "The Land". The exhibit will remain in display at the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building until Tuesday, 12 December 2000.

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